

IN THE CLAIMS

The following is a listing of claims that includes a status identifier in parenthesis. Claims 2, 4-6, 11-19, 21, 23-25, 28-36 and 38-49 have been canceled without prejudice to, or disclaimer of, the subject matter of these claims. The subject matter of many of these claims is subsumed within the remaining, pending claims. Claims 50-52 have been added. Support for new claims 50-52 comes from at least paragraphs [0041] and [0042] of the specification along with Figure 3.

LISTING OF CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A method implemented in a controller for setting a number of base stations that can be considered hand-off base stations comprising the steps of:

measuring real-time traffic flow criteria associated with one or more base stations; and

setting a number of base stations, from a list of potential hand-off base stations, that can be considered hand-off base stations to a number that is below an initial number to prevent undesired fluctuations in call blocking and call dropping rates , ~~from a neighbor list of potential hand-off base stations,~~ depending on the measured traffic flow criteria.
2. (Canceled).
3. (Original) The method as in claim 1 further comprising the step of maintaining an initial neighbor list and generating an adaptable neighbor list of potential hand-off base stations based on traffic flows.
4. (Canceled).
5. (Canceled).

6. (Canceled).

7. (Previously Presented) The method as in claim 1 wherein the number of base stations included in the neighbor list of potential hand-off base stations is less than a maximum number of base stations included in an initial neighbor list.

8. (Previously Presented) The method as in claim 3 further comprising the step of forwarding the adaptable neighbor list to a wireless device.

9. (Previously Presented) The method as in claim 1 wherein a wireless device is operable to enable a hand-off.

10. (Previously Presented) The method as in claim 1 wherein at least one base station on the list is operable to enable a hand-off.

11. (Canceled).

12. (Canceled).

13. (Canceled).

14. (Canceled).

15. (Canceled).

16. (Canceled).

17. (Canceled).

18. (Canceled).

19. (Canceled).

20. (Currently Amended) A system for setting a hand-off base station list, operable

to:

measure real-time traffic flow criteria associated with one or more base stations; and

set a number of base stations, from a list of potential hand-off base stations, that can be considered hand-off base stations, to a number that is below an initial number to prevent undesired fluctuations in call blocking and call dropping rates ~~from a neighbor list of potential hand-off base stations~~, depending on the measured traffic flow criteria.

21. (Canceled).

22. (Previously Presented) The system as in claim 20 comprising a control section operable to maintain an initial neighbor list and generate an adaptable neighbor list of potential hand-off base stations based on the traffic flow criteria.

23. (Canceled).

24. (Canceled).

25. (Canceled).

26. (Previously Presented) The system as in claim 20 wherein the number of base stations included in the neighbor list of potential hand-off base stations is less than a maximum number of base stations included in an initial neighbor list.

27. (Previously Presented) The system as in claim 20 comprising a control section operable to forward an adaptable neighbor list to a wireless device.

28. (Canceled).

29. (Canceled).

30. (Canceled).

31. (Canceled).

32. (Canceled).

33. (Canceled).

34. (Canceled).

35. (Canceled).

36. (Canceled).

37. (Currently Amended) A system for setting a hand-off base station list

comprising:

means for measuring real-time traffic flow criteria associated with one or more base stations; and

means for setting a number of base stations, from a list of potential hand-off base stations, that can be considered hand-off base stations to a number that is below an initial number to prevent undesired fluctuations in call blocking and call dropping rates, from a neighbor list of potential hand-off base stations, depending on the measured traffic flow criteria.

38. (Canceled).

39. (Canceled).

40. (Canceled).

41. (Canceled).

42. (Canceled).

43. (Canceled).

44. (Canceled).

45. (Canceled).

46. (Canceled).

47. (Canceled).

48. (Canceled).

49. (Canceled).

50. (New) The method as in claim 1 further comprising setting the number of base stations based on both the measured traffic flow criteria and hysteresis parameters.

51. (New) The system as in claim 20 further operable to set the number of base stations based on both the measured traffic flow criteria and hysteresis parameters.

52. (New) The system as in claim 37 wherein the means for setting further comprises means for setting the number of base stations based on both the measured traffic flow criteria and hysteresis parameters.